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## Resident Birthdays

Dec. 1 - Donald S.

Dec. 2 - Laurie B.

Dec. 12 - Ruth G.

*Happy Birthday*



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### Notable Events

- Dec. 1 - Christmas Card Making
- Dec. 11 - "The Holiday" Movie
- Dec. 15 - Ornament Making
- Dec. 22 - Christmas Sing-a-long
- Dec. 25 - "White Christmas" Movie
- Dec. 30 - End of the Year Bingo Party
- Dec. 31 - New Year Happy Hour

**Remember to wear your mask, sanitize your hands and**





# Arlyce's Antics

December is here and what a wonderful time of the year! This year is going to be a time to forge new traditions and new memories. We need to focus on all the positive blessings of this year, midst all the negative health risks and political turmoil. Some of my positive blessings include the opportunity to work at the Landings of Minnetonka, serving under the professional leadership of Jaybird Senior Living, working with considerate, compassionate staff, and most of all, being allowed to care for your precious loved ones; thank you! Embrace your new memories for this Christmas season you won't regret it! And I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## Resident Memories: submitted by Nancy J.



### Headlines scream: Corona virus alert

If the world seems to be crashing down around you, take heart, there is hope. Despite a host of ever growing crisis from international and domestic political intrigue and the near breakdown of democracy; to uncontrollable wildfires scorching enormous swaths of land in California; to hurricanes, floods and tornadoes all made worse because of climate change – despite these things, God is in control and he is faithful.

There are some promising signs of answers to prayer. The transition from the Trump administration to the President elect Biden administration is progressing smoothly. And there is COVID-19. At least 3 vaccines look promising. But Minnesota is reeling from its worst COVID-19 numbers since the start of the pandemic.

One thing we can do to make these issues less daunting is to pray. The second thing we can do it to encourage each other by sharing life experiences that started out rocky but turned out to be blessings in disguise. Following is one of my adventures showing God's patience and care. I hope you enjoy it.

### One Snowy Night

Back in the 70's, I was editor for Lowell Lundstrom Ministries. Lowell was a traveling evangelist, on the road with his musical family and team at least 300 days a year. I worked on *Message Magazine*, monthly mailings, week-long crusades, one night rallies, weekend Marriage Enrichment Seminars, and books. One snowy night the ministry pilot, Joe Gruber and I headed from Minneapolis to Hibbing, Minnesota. The visibility was fair when we started out, but the wind picked up and the snow was falling fast. Gradually the storm turned into a blizzard. Joe turned to me with a worried expression on his face. "Look out the right side window and tell me if there is ice on the wing?" I looked and there was. There was nothing I could do to help except to pray – pray *hard*. "Joe," I asked "are you going to turn back to Minneapolis?" "We don't have enough fuel" he said. Finally we reached the Hibbing airport, but finding the airport was not the end of our predicament. By now the visibility was almost zero. That night Joe earned his reputation as a skilled pilot by landing without plowing into a snow drift or clipping the airport buildings. Joe parked the plane and we stumbled to the terminal. The airport was closed. Joe went from door to door to find a way in. I shivered in the cold. When we were about to give up, the last door was open. The janitor was just leaving to go home before the blizzard got worse. He said, "You knew the airport was closed. You could have lost your license or your lives!" He motioned to a pay phone, and Joe called the Hibbing Crusade director to come get us. Fortunately the janitor was willing to stay with us until the director arrived. The ordeal was over! What might have been a tragedy became the blessing of realizing once again, our lives are in God's hands. For that I am thankful. Credit goes to Joe Gruber; he got me to my destination – and especially to God for enabling him to do so.

Now it's your turn. Tell your own story and you might just see someone's frown turn into a smile for a little while, even as the corona virus rages on.

# COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

**E**xercise class is going strong! These long months of not being able to get out and about because of COVID have got the residents ready to get in the groove with Live 2 B Healthy!

